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To: Libraries of Washington State

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Intent to Participate in Statewide Database Contract with ProQuest

Dear Colleagues:

It is time for renewing subscriptions to the Statewide Database Licensing project and its subscription contract with ProQuest. The current subscription period is from July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007. The good news is that the overall cost of the contract is unchanged, and that most participating institutions will see a small, relatively insignificant reduction in their share of the cost.

The big change this year is that we are initiating an auto-renewal process. If your library wishes to renew its participation in the SDL contract with ProQuest, you do not need to do anything. Your invoice will arrive from ProQuest later in June. Unless there is a significant change in either pricing or content, this auto-renewal process will be standard procedure for future years as well.

If, for some reason, your library no longer wishes to participate in the SDL ProQuest contract, you will need to send a signed copy of the attached SDL Subscription Cancellation Form. Copies must be received by no later than June 15, 2006. If no Subscription Cancellation document is received by that date, your automatic renewal will be activated.

If your library needs to make payment before the end of June, be sure to let us know (preferably by e-mail) so that we can ask ProQuest to expedite your invoice.

The database content is unchanged since last year. For a listing of available content with descriptions, see http://tinyurl.com/or586. If your library wishes to add or delete content to its current profile, please contact ProQuest Customer Service, using the contact information on the renewal web page: http://www.secstate.wa.gov/library/libraries/projects/sdl/renewal.aspx.

All participating libraries are also eligible to receive a 15-25% discount on many of ProQuest's other databases.

We are pleased once again to be able to offer these databases to Washington libraries at a stable price. Thank you for your continued participation and support of the project.

Sincerely,

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